

Consent Agenda: May 2020

\$5,000 LSTA Grant Received for Staff Technology

Daniel pursued a Library Services and Technology Act Grant to replace the circulation desk computers at both branches and the branch manager's computers up to the amount of \$5,000. They will be installed over the next month.

Application Window for Duchesne City Area Board Member Open through May

In preparation for Sherry Lott's expiring 8th year of service on the library board, applications for a new board member from the Duchesne City area have been accepted through May. A board member will be selected during interviews in June.

Unique Library Programming During COVID

The staff at both branches has tried some new programming ideas during the COVID closure. Sami Merrell has continued hosting a monthly online book club and hosted two virtual escape room activities. They are a series of virtual puzzles that must be accomplished in a limited time to "escape." One was based on Sherlock Holmes that we borrowed from another library, and she created another based on <u>A Series of Unfortunate Events</u>. Debbie Haslem also created story time bags similar to what Uintah County Library has offered which include 4 books on a topic like vehicles and some craft activities to do at home.

In Duchesne, Rachel Hull started a pen pal program where patrons have dropped off letters (which are quarantined a few days) and then answered back when the patrons pick up curbside. Marianne Clayburn was recently hired by the USU Extension housed at Duchesne Branch and she has hosted a STEM virtual story time through May on Wednesday afternoons at the library.

Summer Reading preparations are also underway. Though no in-person opening events will be held, online signups and packets are being created to follow through with the rest of the program as much as possible. Signups should begin by the end of May.

Tabiona Box Blows Over

The drop box at the Tabiona Community Center was blown over by extreme winds in the area in early May. The drop opening was bent, but was able to be straightened enough to continue to function. It does not need to be replaced at this time.

Daniel Assumes Utah Library Association Presidency

Due to the ULA Conference cancellation, Daniel took over the role of Utah Library Association President in mid-May. He will serve in the role until the ULA Conference in May 2021.